ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 30 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-30-13

There will be a <u>33-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period, from <u>noon</u> Thursday, August 1 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, August 2 in the Inner Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District. Waters will be open to the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201).

There will be a 48-hour <u>extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 31 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, August 2 in the following areas:

- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (including the Inner Ugak Section which is no longer open until further notice);
- The Northeast Kodiak District:
- The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District**; and
- The Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas will close at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 31:

- The Northwest Kodiak District (including the Terror and Uyak Bay which currently remain closed);
- The Halibut Bay Section of the Southwest Kodiak District; and
- The Northwest Afognak, Southwest Afognak, Southeast Afognak, and Raspberry Straits sections of Afognak District.

Closed waters will be <u>increased</u>, for commercial salmon fishing to the **normal closed waters in Saltery Cove** at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 31.

Closed waters will be <u>increased</u>, for subsistence salmon fishing to the **normal closed waters in Buskin River** (stream# 259-211) at **12:01 a.m. Thursday August 1.**

The following areas remain **open until further notice**:

- The Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

In Saltery Cove, for subsistence fishing, at Saltery Creek (stream# 259-415), at the exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline.

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, <u>until further notice</u>, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial salmon fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

To ensure **Chinook** (**king**) salmon brood stock collection at Monashka Creek, **that portion of the Monashka/Mill Bay Section of the Northeast Kodiak District** bounded by the latitude of **Spruce Cape** and the latitude of **Termination Point** until **August 1, 2013 king salmon may not be retained in the subsistence fishery** and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.